

Corset sale at Archie Reid's.

New line Gilbert's home spun dress goods.
BORN, BAILEY & Co.

Don't be humbugged by any new or cheap dress, come up to the reliable East End and spend your hard earned dollar where you can get the most for it.

6 lbs. Continental soap..... \$1.00
7 lbs. Rio..... 25
4 1/2 lbs. Erap. Rasp Berries..... 1.00
5 Large boxes matches..... 25
Best Sauer Kraut per gal..... 1.00
Good Wisconsin wheat flour..... 5
Best XXX Crackers..... 5
15 lbs. Gran. sugar..... 1.00

Everything else in proportion at the East End grocery.

BRACE & BROWN.

Special sale of corsets—a good 50 cent corset for 25 cents. A 50 cent corset at 45 cents. Bournes Duplex at 75 cents. Dr. Strong's Temple at 75 cents. Schilling's Ball health corset at 75 cents. Ladies corset vests etc., etc. The above are all new and fresh, also a large line of sample corsets at

ARCHIE REID'S.

Some handsome things in chemise fringes just opened.

J. M. BOSTWICK & SONS.

Family scales at Metcalf & Gowley's.

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Mrs. Hawley have removed to the Jeffris block, over the Savings bank, between the bridge and postoffice—where they will be glad to see their patrons.

Elegant assortment of embroideries at Archie Reid's.

On Saturday March 13th, we will again present to each purchaser a Japanese scrap card very neat. Remember we are selling tea fully ten cents per pound cheaper than you can get them elsewhere and so low that it would pay you to buy summer's supply now, as we purchase directly from the importers you save the middleman's profit by buying of us. Buy your tea by the box and get special wholesale prices.

THE CHINA TEA CO.

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Shade pulis and curtain chains at Sutherland's bookstore.

Now is the time to get a good winter cloak at half price and a Jersey free at Archie Reid's.

A large inventory of new spring styles of Wall papers, borders, ceiling decorations and curtains at Sutherland's bookstore.

We are showing a fine assortment of shoes men's underwear.

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Toaster's bibles, a new supply at Sutherland's bookstore.

GO TO DURANCE & RICE.

The New Kantido Grocers, 15 Main Street, for

15 lbs. Granulated Sugar..... \$1.00
15 lbs. Standard A..... 1.00
Kerosene oil..... 1.00
New crop Japan tea 3 lbs. for..... 1.00
Table Syrup guaranteed pure..... 1.00
Sugar goods per gallon..... .40
We have a genuine open kettle New Orleans molasses. 15 Main street.

ORGAN FOR SALE—A Warren & Clough prior organ for sale at a bargain. Enquire at this office.

We have received a world of new things in cotton dress fabrics and can please the thousands.

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New line striped and two-toned velvets.

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Oranges by the box at Denniston's.

\$3.50 for choice river-side at Denniston's.

Try Eldridge's Asthma remedy.

We keep the "Anora" and "New Idea" carpet sweepers. They are the best made, and always give satisfaction.

J. M. BOSTWICK & SONS.

For Sale.

Nine fine lots in the first ward. Cheapest in the city. Get my prices before buying.

D. CORCORAN.

Hamburg edgings, chambray edgings, in white and colors, at

BORN, BAILEY & Co.

We are showing a handsome line of new dress buttons—large, medium and small.

J. M. BOSTWICK & SONS.

Any quantity of fine oranges, 20, 25, 35, 40 and 50 cents a dozen at Denniston's

"LOW PRICES TELL."

HEAD THIS LIST!

Best Granulated Sugar, 15 lbs., \$1.00
Best Rio Coffee, per lb..... 12 1/2
Best Mexican Java Coffee, per lb..... 20
Best Turkish Prunes, per lb..... 35
Best Cranberries, per qt..... 35
Best Home-Made Pickles, per gallon..... 25
Best Kerosene Oil, per gallon..... 10
Best Water White Headlight, per gallon..... 15
Best Plug Tobacco, per lb..... 45
Choice Smoking Tobacco, per pound..... 20
Choice Potatoes, per bushel..... 50
Choice Canned Corn..... 35
Choice Canned Tomatoes..... 35
Best 3 lb. Cal. Apples..... 15
Best 3 lb. Cal. Peas..... 20
Best 3 lb. Yellow Peaches..... 12 1/2
Babbitts Best Soap..... 4 1/2
Kirk's Best Soap..... 4 1/2
Telephone Soap..... 4 1/2
Old Country Soap..... 4 1/2
Choice Family Flour..... 1.00
Choice Mince Flour warranted..... 1.10
Best Ham and Dried Beef..... 10
Peanut Ham and Dried Beef..... 8
Hudson's Pearl White Vienna at cost.
New York sweet cider 20 cents per gal.
All cigars at cost wholesale and retail.
Choice Apples very cheap.
I sell choice teas lower than any house in the city and give you a pound of choice candy and nuts free for the children.
I do not advertise a few leaders that people buy few of below cost for bait, but I sell all goods cheapest for cash or approved paper.

Respectfully,

W. L. VANKIRK,

23 Main Street.

Wool, buffalo and goat robes, at James A. Father's, corner Court and Main streets.

and we are pleased that it is now taking proper form.

—Miniature Spanish galleons are becoming very popular as table ornaments, read a west side bank clerk this morning, as his eye skimmed over the columns of an Eastern art journal.

"Well, that may be all right for Boston, but out west here nothing goes quite so well as full sized Dutch galleons."

And then everyone, from the cashier down, murmured his approbation, and a calm stole over the usually noisy place of business that was only broken by the bookkeeper's remarks as he tenderly felt of the spot where a mustard plaster was drawing compound interest.

—Bishop Fiesch, of La Crosse, in his Lenten Pastoral, speaks plainly against holding night parties in private houses, and of holding dances in aid of the church, school or priest: "In some congregations much mischief and sin are done in consequence of night parties in private houses. When these night parties are of frequent occurrence in a congregation, their influence greatly checks the growth of virtue and good morals among the youth, and vices and licentiousness increase. These call for prudent but vigorous opposition on the side of the priest. The holding of public balls or dances for church purposes is an intolerable abuse—it is a real scandal. We hereby strictly forbid the getting up or holding of any ball or dance for the purpose of raising money for the church, school or priest, and we make the priest of the congregation or place where our prohibition should be disregarded, responsible for it."

ASSOCIATED CHARITIES.

The Annoucement of the Ward Committee.

The ward committees of the Janesville Associated Charities are as follows:

FIRST WARD.

Mrs. John Wiggins, Mrs. J. L. Ford,

Mrs. C. S. Crosby, Mrs. H. S. Woodruff,

Miss Mary Fox, Mrs. Edgar Tallman,

Mrs. B. F. Crockett.

SECOND WARD.

Dr. May W. Hawley, Mrs. Moses S.

Priehard, Mrs. W. H. Judd, Mrs. Wm. Smith.

THIRD WARD.

Mrs. C. S. Jackson, Mrs. Anson Rogers,

Mrs. F. F. Stevens, Mrs. Delia Collins,

Mrs. Harriet McKee, Mrs. H. H. Holmes, Mrs. A. D. Sanborn.

FOURTH WARD.

Rev. E. M. McGinnity, Mrs. Emily M.

Wilbur, Mrs. David Jeffris, Sister Mary Joseph, Hon. S. C. Cobb, Mrs. J. W. St. John, Mrs. Dailey.

FIFTH WARD.

Dr. Q. O. Sutherland, Mrs. E. A. Rich,

Mrs. Wilson Lane, Mrs. Kate Winslow,

Mrs. James Burpee, Mrs. John Labey.

Contributions for the relief of the poor may be made to the above committees, and the public are requested to refer all applications for relief to the committee of the ward where the applicant lives. The co-operation of the public in enabling those out of employment to find employment is asked on behalf of each of the ward committees.

—Mr. E. D. McKee went to Chicago this morning on business.

—R. W. Coon, of the Edgerton Tobacco Reporter, was in the city this afternoon.

—Mr. George T. Lane, who has been visiting in this city for some time past, started for Oconomowoc, Dakota, last night.

—W. C. Stevens returned to day from a three weeks trip taken in the interest of the Lawrence Cattle Top company, of which he is secretary.

—Mrs. E. F. Butler, who has been a guest of Mrs. C. B. Evans, of the first ward, for a few days, returned to her home in Watervale today.

Next week Dr. Charles A. Wintermute will take a trip to Michigan to see what the prospects are in that locality. He has not yet decided just where he will go but there is no doubt that wherever he does make his home he will be well received.

—Mr. Grant Williams, of the general superintendent's office of the Union Pacific railroad, Omaha, is in the city, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Orange Williams, of the third ward. Mr. Williams has been absent over a year, and his many friends are right glad to see him once more. He will return to Omaha the first of next week.

The Weather.

At seven o'clock this morning the thermometer indicated 29 degrees above zero. Cloudy with north wind. At one o'clock p. m. the register was 44 degrees above zero. Partly cloudy with north wind. For the corresponding hours one year ago the register was 30 and 41 degrees above zero.

Insurance Statistics.

Advance sheets of Insurance Commissioner Spooner's report show that twenty one life insurance companies are doing business in Wisconsin; that 6,580 policies, covering \$16,425,905, were issued during the year 1885; the premiums received were \$1,993,941, and the losses paid \$731,090. At the end of the year 1885, the number of policies in force was 25,742, the amount covered being \$50,400,495. In Wisconsin, there are four joint-stock fire companies, with a total paid up capital of \$1,900,000; assets, \$4,844,349; liabilities, \$1,140,895; income for 1885, \$1,484,507, and expenditures for 1885, \$1,493,055. In 1885, the risks written in Wisconsin aggregated \$31,970,480; premiums received, \$1,033,341; losses paid, \$221,055; losses incurred, \$224,803; percent of losses incurred to premiums paid 55.73. Wisconsin has five mutual fire insurance companies, whose total assets are \$523,001; liabilities, \$48,355; income in 1885, \$75,051; expenditures for 1885, \$44,473; risks written in Wisconsin in 1885, \$2,923,950; premiums received, \$611,440; losses paid, \$26,759; losses incurred, \$32,320; percent of losses incurred to premiums received, 74.91. The total risks written by all fire, marine, accident and guarantee companies in Wisconsin, during the calendar year, by companies licensed to do business in the state, were \$292,955,012; premiums received, \$2,909,010; losses paid, \$2,220,352; losses incurred, \$2,158,200; percent of losses incurred to premiums received, 74.57. The total paid up capital of all the companies doing business in Wisconsin is \$39,449,770; assets, \$179,025,463; liabilities, \$74,640,674; income in 1885, \$95,021,461; expenditures in 1885, \$38,881,815.

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